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UND sets new spring first day enrollment record

The University posted its largest ever first day enrollment for a spring semester, and numbers will continue to climb for three more weeks. UND’s first day count of 11,775 is an increase of 142 (1.2 percent) over last spring’s 11,633 opening day number (the previous record first day tally).

Other recent spring semester opening day counts:

2003 — 11,297

2002 — 10,474

2001 — 9,940

2000 — 9,637

The first day number is an early “snapshot” of the enrollment picture. A final spring enrollment figure will be available after the third week of classes and historically is several hundred students higher than the opening day number. Last spring’s final enrollment was 12,355.

UND’s largest ever enrollment was this fall with 13,187 students. Spring enrollment is always lower, mainly because of winter commencement.

Fueling this spring’s increase is continued growth in the graduate school, particularly in doctoral students over the past few years. The first day number shows 405 doctoral students, up 43 from last spring’s first day number of 362, and up significantly from the spring 2001 first day number of 181.

“I continue to be proud of the Graduate School and academic departments, which have worked hard to create new degree programs — particularly doctoral degree programs — that are important to our state as well as to our students,” said President Charles Kupchella. He said the growth in graduate students will have ramifications in other areas of the University, such as enhancing UND’s research enterprise.

The increase in graduate students is in keeping with UND’s Strategic Plan, which calls for the University to beef up its graduate school enrollment to 1,650. UND is already ahead of the curve. This fall UND posted 2,045 graduate students.

Four candidates invited to interview for provost; Martha Potvin will be first

Four candidates have been invited to interview for the position of vice president for academic affairs and provost. They are Martha Potvin, interim vice president for academic affairs and provost, UND; Robert Sheehan, University of Toledo; Kathleen Long, University of Florida; and Greg Weisenstein, Montana State University.

Potvin's interviews are set for **Thursday and Friday, Jan. 20 and 21**. Following are events to which members of the University community and public are invited. Though all events are open to anyone, most events are tailored to particular audiences as noted below.

10 a.m. Thursday, 303 Twamley Hall, staff members and Staff Senate.

11 a.m. Thursday, 303 Twamley Hall, students and Student Senate.

4 p.m. Thursday, North Dakota Museum of Art, talk by candidate, followed by questions from the campus community and general public.

9 a.m. Friday, 305 Twamley Hall, faculty and University Senate.

Martha Potvin holds a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Connecticut; a master's in botany and plant ecology from Michigan State University, and a doctorate in ecology and evolutionary biology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She served as a lecturer at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, before joining the biology department at West Chester University in 1994. She advanced to full professor and chair of her department, and also directed a project to coordinate development of a model green campus before being named interim dean of graduate studies and extended education. In 2001, she came to UND as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. She was named interim provost in 2004.

The provost search committee is chaired by Bruce Smith, dean, Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences.

UND submits proposal for \$30 million biodefense laboratory

The School of Medicine and Health Sciences has submitted a proposal to the federal government to build a new \$30 million laboratory where researchers can safely and effectively find solutions to potential threats to the nation's health and safety. The lab would be a modern, first-class building, engineered for this purpose.

The proposed 56,000-square-foot facility would be used by up to 50 biomedical scientists, pursuing various studies on critically important infectious diseases that could affect the health of people in this region. It would be located in the University's technology park, immediately west of I-29 between University Avenue and the Burlington Northern railroad tracks, a site which contains all necessary infrastructure improvements and meets all federal requirements for facilities of this kind.

The facility would be available for use by federal public health and defense agencies, such as the National Institutes of Health (NIH) or the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), if emergencies arise that require an immediate response to protect the health of all Americans. In these instances, federal agencies would take over the lab in order to respond with its own research investigations and procedures.

The proposed lab would be designated as a "biosafety level 3," one of the highest security and safety rankings of the federal government. The most stringent standards of safety and security would be followed and built into the design of the facility. Two other level 3 labs have been operating successfully in North Dakota for several years in Bismarck and Fargo.

UND is working with nationally recognized experts with extensive experience in the architecture and design of facilities of this kind, Flad and Associates, based in Madison, Wis., in coordination with the local Johnson Laffen Galloway firm.

"The goal of this project is to help ensure the safety of our nation," said H. David Wilson, vice president for health affairs and dean of the medical school. "It is imperative that we take a strong, proactive role in advancing our country's biodefense plan to protect and defend our citizens, especially in this region."

Construction of the facility will be covered by a \$22.5 million investment by the federal government, and requires a commitment of \$7.5 million in matching funds by the state.

Only 10 such laboratories have been approved for funding in this country, eight regional and two national. Only two will be built west of the Mississippi River, in Colorado and Missouri. The only other one in the Midwest is planned for Chicago. These three facilities are in the design stage and are about four years from completion, he noted, emphasizing the critical need to construct such a facility for the Northern Plains.

The "UND BRACE Institute," as it has been called, would allow researchers to handle any biodefense problems, which may occur, here rather than sending them off to remote parts of the country, such as the NIH in Bethesda, MD, or the CDC in Atlanta, said Wilson. BRACE stands for Biodefense Research Alertness Containment Education.

"The vision behind this proposal is that, if there is a biological emergency, a local lab will be able to respond quickly," Wilson said. "Having such a lab here allows us to provide the best possible protection, rather than relying on labs in other parts of the country."

The BRACE Institute will:

- s conduct research that contributes to the health and safety of the public,

- s conduct research to guard against biological threats,

- s increase UND's status in laboratory research thus improving opportunities to obtain other grants,

- s provide economic benefits to the University and the community, and

- s attract other desirable facilities to the research park.

Economic development impact

"There would be a direct impact on economic development on this area, with the new people hired, in addition to what it will allow us to do in seeking new grants," he said. The facility would allow UND researchers "to pursue more grants, and more types of grants, than we currently can."

"We would really become a center for research on diseases related to biodefense."

There are about 15-25 UND researchers currently doing research related to biodefense, he added, noting that number would more than double when the laboratory is fully operational, through the hiring of additional researchers, graduate students and other support service personnel.

The project unites researchers from many colleges at UND, Wilson said. "We hope it will expand to include the arts and sciences, clinical medicine and aerospace sciences. A significant feature of this lab is the involvement of key researchers and scientists from across the region studying the important questions for our nation's health and biological security."

— *School of Medicine and Health Sciences*

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Medical school dean's hour lecture is Feb. 13

The medical school will present a dean's hour lecture, "Medical Student Role Models, Well-Being and the Hidden Curriculum," presented by Frederic W. Hafferty, professor of behavioral sciences, University of Minnesota School of Medicine, Duluth, at noon Thursday, Jan. 13, in the Reed T. Keller Auditorium, School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

This presentation will be broadcast at the following IP sites: SE Campus Room 225, SW Campus Conference Room A, and NW Campus office.

The series is funded in part by a donation from the Vernon E. Wagner Endowment. For additional information contact the Dean's office at 777-2514.

— *School of Medicine and Health Sciences*

UMC hosts speaker in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

The University of Minnesota-Crookston will celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. **Thursday, Jan. 13**, at 7 p.m. in the Kiehle Auditorium, UMC. The featured speaker is Marvin Grays, an actor featured in Dr. King's Dream. An original member of Mixed Blood Theatre, he has performed with the Minnesota Opera Company, the Germinal State Denver, Bonfils Theatre, Midwest Playlabs, and the Guthrie Theatre. A graduate of Denver University and the University of Minnesota, he teaches theatre and English at Highland Park High School in St. Paul. He also serves as an adjunct instructor in education at the University of St. Thomas, where he earned his doctorate in 1997. He has performed Dr. King's Dream since 1987 and last season appeared in A Jew On Ethiopia Street during Mixed Blood's main stage season.

It's free and open to everyone. The performance is organized by diversity services and student activities and service learning and is sponsored by concerts and lectures at UMC.

— *MC Diop, multicultural student services*

Seminar focuses on prairie glacial landscape

On **Friday, Jan. 14**, at noon, 141 Starcher Hall, Rebecca Phillips and Ofer Beerli from John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences will present "The Prairie Glacial Basin Landscape: Wetland Habitat Zones and Remote Carbon Assessment."

Prairie glacial basins are valuable freshwater ecosystems that provide a number of functions essential to water quality, carbon burial, waterfowl, and more. These small, hydrologically dynamic closed basins require temporally and spatially synoptic assessment tools to address questions of wetland condition and carbon storage potential. We present initial results from prairie glacial basin study where GIS/remote sensing techniques were derived that connect basin structural features to hydrological-biological function for Missouri Coteau wetlands. This work focuses on application of satellite technology and natural science to develop tools for detecting habitat zones and anthropogenic disturbance. Further, we explore potential carbon storage for the Missouri Coteau wetland landscape using zone-specific carbon cycling experiments and alternative satellite-sensor models. The utility of high resolution satellite data for monitoring habitat zones is discussed, along with the importance of upland land-use and the dynamic interface between terrestrial and aquatic matrices for assessing plant carbon storage in prairie glacial wetlands.

— *Biology*

MLK luncheon postponed; panel remains set for Jan. 14

The Martin Luther King Jr. celebration luncheon has been moved to Friday, March 4, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Union Ballroom. Tickets will still be sold at the info desk at the Memorial Union and the Era Bell Thompson Cultural Center, 2800 University Ave. You can also call 777-4259. The awards will be presented at that time. Please go online for a nomination form, due by Feb. 11.

The panel discussion will go on as planned Friday, Jan. 14, in the River Valley Room, Memorial Union, from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

— *Multicultural student services*

PPT holds Friday seminar series

The pharmacology, physiology, and therapeutics department will hold a Friday afternoon seminar series at 3 p.m. in Room 3933, Medical Science. The schedule follows.

Jan. 14, Jonathan D. Geiger, UND, "Purine Level Regulation During Energy Depletion Associated with Graded Excitatory Stimulation in Brain." Note: This seminar will begin at 2:30 p.m.

Jan. 28, Gerald F. Combs Jr., director, Grand Forks Human Nutrition Research Center, "Considerations from Selenium Metabolism: Towards Informed Assessment of Selenium Status."

— *Pharmacology, physiology and therapeutics*

Special Denim Day will benefit tsunami, earthquake victims

In conjunction with fund-raising efforts conducted by students, President Kupchella has authorized a special Denim Day **Friday, Jan. 14**, to raise money for victims of the tsunami and earthquake in Southeast Asia. A donation of \$5 or more is suggested. Money will be sent to the Red Cross along with funds raised by the students.

"Barn Dance" set for Jan. 15

North Country Fiddle and Dance will hold a "Barn Dance" with Tickwoods String Band from Fergus Falls, Minn., Saturday, Jan. 15, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. in the Grand Cities Mall Events Center, 1726 S. Washington. Reels, circles, squares, contras will be taught – join right in! Donations will be taken at the door.

— Jan Orvik, editor, for Jeanne O'Neil, 773-3850.

Former Gov. Allen Olson will speak at law school

The Honorable Allen I. Olson, former governor of North Dakota, will address students at the School of Law at 4 p.m. **Tuesday, Jan. 18**, in the law school's Baker Moot Courtroom. The title of his talk is "The International Joint Commission, North Dakota, Manitoba, and I: A Personal, Professional, and Political Perspective." A reception will follow.

His appearance will initiate a School of Law speakers series, bringing legal experts to the law school for informal presentations and exchanges with members of the law school and university community.

Olson currently serves as a commissioner of the International Joint Commission, an independent United States and Canadian organization established by the Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909 to deal with disputes relating to the use and quality of boundary waters and to provide advice on related questions. He was appointed to the commission by President George W. Bush in December 2002.

Olson is a 1963 graduate of the UND School of Law. He served two terms as attorney general of North Dakota (1972-1980), and one term as governor (1980-1984). He and his wife, Barbara Benner, reside in Edina, Minn.

— *School of Law*

Volunteer recruitment day set for Jan. 20

Volunteer Bridge will host a volunteer recruitment day Thursday, Jan. 20, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the second floor of the Memorial Union. Agency representatives from the Greater Grand Forks nonprofit community will be seeking volunteers to help with their projects this semester. Everyone is invited to attend.

- *Linda Rains, coordinator for volunteer services and programming, 777-4076*

University celebrates 100 years of basketball

The UND Alumni Association, together with UND athletics, is hosting the 100 Years of UND Basketball celebration **Jan. 20-22**. The weekend will include men's and women's basketball games, facility tours, a basketball alumni shoot-around, and banquet, all open to the public.

The banquet will be held **Friday, Jan. 21**, in the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center. The social will begin at 6 p.m. with a dinner to follow at 7 p.m. The banquet will honor 77 UND alumni who have been named to All-Decade teams and 26 named to the All-Century/Pioneer team. For a complete list of those being honored, please go to www.undalumni.org.

For more information or to register for events, visit www.undalumni.org, or contact Barb at 777-4078 or barbm@undalumni.org.

Schedule of events:

Thursday, Jan. 20, 8 p.m., UND vs. Minnesota State-Mankato, Ralph Engelstad Arena.

Friday, Jan. 21, Noon, Sioux Booster luncheon (open to the public), Alerus Center; 6 p.m., 100 Years of Basketball Celebration social, Betty Engelstad Sioux Center; 7 p.m., 100 Years of Basketball Celebration dinner, Betty Engelstad Sioux Center.

Saturday, Jan. 22, 8 p.m., UND vs. St. Cloud State University, Ralph Engelstad Arena.

— *Alumni Association and Foundation*

Empire adds events to schedule

The Empire Arts Center will hold a John Wayne "B" Movie Film Fest **Saturday, Jan. 22**. Recording artist Kelly Joe Phelps is scheduled to perform on **Monday, Jan. 24**.

Before John Wayne became a big movie star, he spent 10 years making "B" Westerns. The film fest will show three of these early movies: Blue Steel, The Trail Beyond and Hell Town. The movies, each lasting about an hour, also star such names as Gabby Hayes, Noah Beery, Alan Ladd and John Mack Brown. The afternoon will finish with Angel and the Badman starring Gail Russell, Harry Carey, Bruce Cabot and Irene Rich along with Wayne.

The film fest will start at 1 p.m. **Saturday, Jan. 22.** Tickets are \$3 per person for the afternoon. A special snack pass will be available for \$5. The snack pass includes admission to the movies, a cold beverage and a small popcorn. Tickets will be available at the door.

Kelly Joe Phelps, best known as a country blues artist, has expanded his musical boundaries to become a true singer-songwriter who does not fit neatly into any musical genre. His music has been compared to that of Bob Dylan, Bruce Springsteen and others. A talented musician, his ability to improvise makes every performance unique. Phelps will appear as a solo act. Opening for him will be Fargo performer Josh Harty.

The Kelly Joe Phelps concert is presented by North Dakota Public Radio and David Wayne Presents. Josh Harty will take the stage at 7:30 p.m. **Monday, Jan. 24.** Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Advance tickets are available at the Chester Fritz Auditorium and other Ticketmaster locations.

The remainder of the Empire schedule for January includes Showtime @ the Empire at 8 p.m. **Thursday, Jan. 27,** and the Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra on **Saturday, Jan. 29,** at 7:30 p.m. and **Sunday, Jan. 30,** at 2 p.m. Tickets for Showtime are available at the door. Advance tickets for the Symphony are available at the Chester Fritz Auditorium and other Ticketmaster locations. Tickets will also be available at the door. For more information, please call Mark Landa at 746-5500.

– Jan Orvik, editor, for the Empire Arts Center

All departments invited to attend the UND Bismarck Showcase Jan. 24

The President's Office and the Alumni Association and Foundation will host the UND Bismarck Showcase **Monday, Jan. 24.** All departments are invited to participate by attending or hosting a display booth. This will be a great networking opportunity to show the Bismarck/Mandan area and our legislative contingent what is happening on our campus, how we are growing, and what our needs may be. The event will take place at the Best Western Doublewood Inn from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Booth space is free. Please contact Nancy, 777-3678, for a showcase booth form or for further information.

Plan to attend today.

– UND Alumni Association and Foundation

Anthropology Club hosts film series

The Anthropology Club will host a film series at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. All films are free to the public and the University community.

Films and dates for the club Global Visions Film Series are: Tuesday, Jan. 25, Bend It Like Beckham; Monday, Feb. 7, Maria Full of Grace; **Tuesday, Feb. 22,** Children of Heaven; **Tuesday, March 8,** Quest for Fire; **Tuesday, March 22,** Lila; **Tuesday, April 5,** What the Bleep Do We Know?; **Tuesday, April 19,** Carandiru; **Tuesday, May 3,** The Story of the Weeping Camel.

– Marcia Mikulak, anthropology

Enrollment Services plans Jan. 29 open house

The Office of Enrollment Services will hold an open house for prospective UND students (transfer students and local high school juniors) on **Saturday, Jan. 29.** Students will arrive at 8:30 a.m. in the Memorial Union. Staff and faculty are encouraged to inform their family and friends of this opportunity to participate in this campus visitation opportunity.

– Kenton Pauls, director, Enrollment Services

Insights into composing focus of Feb. 1 faculty lecture

With the ease of Internet downloading, popular music is accessible all the time. Our music has rhythm, our music has treble, our music has a beat. But what if we were to listen to music without a beat?

Michael Wittgraf, associate professor of music, will explore methods of composition employed by today's composers when he delivers "Contemporary Art Music: A Method Behind the Madness" as part of the faculty lecture series. The talk

is **Tuesday, Feb. 1**, 4:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. The talk and a 4 p.m. reception are free and open to the public.

Wittgraf hopes to explore types of sounds that were generally considered popular and see what could be changed — like leaving out the beat, as an example.

“Some of the methods of composition that I will discuss are well-suited for computers,” Wittgraf explained.

“Additionally, technology has had an enormous impact on composers in the past 40 or more years, and the explosion of computer technology in the past five to ten years has produced extremely powerful tools for all musicians.”

Wittgraf himself has been using computers as a musical tool since 1993. Today he composes music for computers as well as traditional instruments. “They are each attractive in their own way,” said Wittgraf, “I enjoy them both and even try to combine them in my compositions.”

Wittgraf approaches music like an engineer, a city planner or a mathematician, and trying to find a solution to a given problem. “Composition to me is musical problem solving. I try to come up with new and interesting ways of providing sounds over a period of time.”

He will discuss a number of methods of composition, such as serialism and minimalism, which are well known in music circles. Serialism is music composition based on the order of notes, as opposed to the combination of notes, while minimalism is music based on very small changes, such as the use of extreme repetition with very small alteration. In addition, Wittgraf will discuss another method of composition which he has not yet named. This method — a mathematical one — uses polynomials and their factors to come up with a musical pattern.

The ability to create complex music, which goes beyond human capabilities of performance, gives computer composers like Wittgraf tremendous freedom. For example, Wittgraf explains, “You can actually compose things [with a computer] that humans can’t hear.”

Born in Redwood Falls, Minn., and raised in Paynesville, Minn., Wittgraf has been a member of the UND faculty since 1998. Music, he said, has always been an important part of his life: “Composing is an integral part of my identity and my spirit. I eat, breathe, and sleep music. Working in a field so rich in possibilities, both intellectual and emotional, has taught me the importance of pursuing excellence while participating in a discipline that is an essential part of humanity.”

Agenda items due for Feb. 3 University Senate meeting

The University Senate will meet Thursday, Feb. 3, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Agenda items for this meeting are due in the registrar’s office by noon Thursday, Jan. 20. Submit electronically to: Nancy.Krogh@mail.und.nodak.edu. It is recommended that some detail be included in the agenda items submitted.

– *Nancy Krogh (registrar), secretary, University Senate*

18th annual Hultberg Lectureship set for Feb. 3

The College of Business and Public Administration will hold the 18th annual Hultberg Lectureship Thursday, Feb. 3, 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl, with a reception following in the Fireside Lounge. The theme is “Leadership Challenges in a Changing World.”

The following individuals have been invited to participate in this year’s events:

Shirley Dykshoorn, director, Fannie Mae Partnership Office, Bismarck.

Mary Fischer, apparel manager, Polaris Industries, Inc., Medina, Minn.

Sara Lord, assurance manager, Deloitte & Touche, Minneapolis, Minn.

Laure E. Park, vice president, investor relations, Quest Diagnostics, Inc., Westfield, N.J.

The Hans and Susanna Hultberg Lectureship was established by their daughter, Clara E. Anderson, through the University of North Dakota Foundation. Anderson graduated from the College of Business and Public Administration in 1928. Her hometown was Washburn, N.D.

Each year prominent women alumni from the UND bring their leadership and experiences to the University community through this event.

The lectures are free and open to the public. For further information, contact Lisa Spencer at 701-777-2224 or lisa.spencer@mail.business.und.edu.

Shirley Dykshoorn

Shirley Dykshoorn is the director of Fannie Mae's North Dakota Partnership Office, one of 60 in the nation to help increase affordable rental and home ownership opportunities. Dykshoorn is responsible for implementing the American Dream Commitment Affordable Housing Plan for North Dakota, an eight-year, \$1.5 billion investment plan to finance affordable housing for 20,000 North Dakota families.

Dykshoorn is also co-owner of Dykshoorn Greenhouse, a seasonal greenhouse business. Before joining Fannie Mae, she was the project coordinator of the Tri-State Rural Collaboration Project and coordinated domestic violence prevention efforts for the three-state area of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming.

In addition, Dykshoorn directed the State Office of Intergovernmental Assistance, coordinating numerous federal programs and working with state and local districts, and nonprofit organizations to deliver programs and services to benefit North Dakotans. This work included implementing the Community Development Block Grant program, the Home Ownership Made Easy program, and numerous energy programs.

Dykshoorn has 20 years of administrative experience in state government. Through her community development experience, she worked with mayors, county commissions and federal agencies addressing community and human service needs.

Dykshoorn received a master of public administration degree from UND and bachelor's of art degree from Jamestown College.

She has two children, Allison and Ryan, and lives in Mandan with her husband, Bob.

Mary Fischer

Mary Fischer attended UND from 1986 to 1990, majoring in marketing and management. She was active in campus organizations and a member of Mortar Board Honor Society along with management and marketing clubs. She was also a forward for the Fighting Sioux basketball team, where she became a two-time letterwinner.

After graduation, Fischer was offered a job with Simmons Advertising as research director. After two years with the Grand Forks-based firm, she moved to Minneapolis. She spent six years at Emerson Process Management Group where she reached the position of Global Marketing Manager for its Rosemount Measurement Division. During that time, she pursued her MBA at the University of St. Thomas. Upon completion of her degree, she accepted management consulting positions with Grant Thornton and later with Born Information Services until joining Midwave Corporation where she served as director of marketing.

In 2004, Fischer was offered an opportunity to join Polaris, a corporation which manufactures some of the nation's top snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles and motorcycles. As apparel manager, she drives product development, distribution and marketing of the \$19 million garment business for Polaris.

An Eden Prairie, Minn., resident, Fischer has been very involved with various non-profit organizations. She is an executive board member of the Ordway Circle of Stars, the volunteer arm of the Ordway Center for the Performing Arts. She has also served on fundraising committees for the Minnesota Orchestra and is a member of the Minnesota Women's Campaign Fund.

Fischer has also remained loyal to and active with her alma mater. Last March she spoke at the UND College of Business and Public Administration conference and recently received the Young Alumni Achievement Award from UND.

Sara Lord

Sara (Srock) Lord graduated from UND in May 1998 with a Bachelor of Accountancy. While at UND, Lord participated in a co-op at the housing office and interned with Deloitte & Touche LLP (D&T). She began full-time employment with D&T in September 1998.

Lord began in the Minneapolis office of D&T working as an audit professional and served on audit engagements for entities in a wide variety of industries. In the spring of 2001, she was selected to participate in D&T's Management Development Program at its National Office in Wilton, Conn. During her time in D&T's National Office, she worked with practice offices on a variety of risk management consultations related to matters such as restatements of SEC filings, alleged fraud investigations, client continuance, personal independence, and scope of services. During this assignment,

Lord became D&T's representative to the AICPA professional ethics executive committee task force on personal independence, a role she continued throughout her stay in Wilton. She returned to the Minneapolis practice office of D&T in June 2003 and served as an audit manager on a large public utility audit client. In January 2004, she accepted a National Office position updating the policies and guidance contained in D&T's audit manual.

In her current role, Lord works on a flexible work arrangement, working three days per week from home. Monthly she commutes to Connecticut. She is a Certified Public Accountant licensed in North Dakota, Minnesota, and Connecticut.

She lives in Brooklyn Park, Minn. with her husband, Joshua (UND School of Business class of 1998) and their son, Matthew.

Laure E. Park

Laure E. Park is vice president, investor relations, for Quest Diagnostics. In this position, which she assumed in June 2002, Park is responsible for managing the relationship with the investment firms that follow the company and with the individual investors who hold Quest Diagnostics' stock as well as targeting potential investors. In 2003, Quest Diagnostics was named one of the top 50 Investor Relations programs by IR Magazine.

Park joined the company in 1995 and has held a variety of senior positions within the finance function, including controller, internal accounting and reporting and director, internal audit.

Prior to joining Quest Diagnostics, Park was affiliated with Deloitte & Touche, where she was a manager in their audit practice, serving clients in a variety of industries. While at D&T, she worked at the Minneapolis, Minn. and Charlotte, N.C. practice offices as well as the national office where she was a member of the accounting research department.

Park graduated from UND in 1987 with a business administration degree in accounting and communications.

She resides in Westfield, N.J., with her husband David and their two children.

Explore the American Indian experience this spring

The University community is invited to Exploring the American Indian Experience, a series of activities designed to build community awareness and understanding of American Indians. You'll have the opportunity to learn more about the many aspects of contemporary Indian issues and cultures. Through a series of community forums and book discussions, you are encouraged to discuss topics and freely ask questions of each facilitator. All events are free and open to the public.

The featured book is *Essie's Story: The Life and Legacy of a Shoshone Teacher*, by Esther Burnett Horne and Sally McBeth. Books will be available at Barnes & Noble, B. Dalton, Waldenbooks, and local libraries.

"This is the spirited story of Esther Burnett Horne, an accomplished and inspiring educator in Indian boarding schools. Born in 1909, Horne attended Haskell Indian Institute in Lawrence, Kansas, and often visited relatives on the Shoshone Wind River Reservation in Wyoming. Motivated by teachers like Ella Deloria and Ruth Muskrat Bronson, Horne devoted her life to educating other Indian children. She began teaching at Wahpeton Indian School in Wahpeton, North Dakota, in 1930 and has remained active in education to the present day. Esther Horne and Sally McBeth developed their life history in a truly collaborative manner. McBeth carefully documented both Horne's personal history and the creation of this work. What emerges is an engaging and informative narrative about education and identity." — Book jacket.

Book discussion dates will be Thursday, Feb. 10, 7 to 9 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, led by co-author Sally McBeth; and Tuesday, March 8, 7 to 9 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, led by Birgit Hans, Indian studies.

We encourage faculty, staff and students to read the book and participate in the discussions. Faculty are encouraged to use the book in their classrooms and promote the community book discussions to their students.

Last year, more than 100 people attended each of the book discussions, which are designed to encourage the Greater Grand Forks community to learn more about the American Indian cultures and experiences. Everyone is welcome to attend free of charge.

Other events in the series include community forums:

Monday, Feb. 28, 7 to 9 p.m., Grand Forks Herald Community Room, 375 Second Ave. N. (use alley entrance). The forum topic is "Going to School: Aspects of the Indian Experience," with discussion leader Sebastian Braun, visiting assistant professor, Indian studies.

This forum provides an overview of the historical experiences of Native Americans with the federal government. It centers on the establishment of schools for American Indians, the way they were run and the goals they were supposed to fulfill. Education provides a great window into cultures because it shows what general values societies try to emphasize, or, in the Indian case, how one society tried to form and change another. You are encouraged to bring and ask questions about what we might call “the Indian experience.”

Braun holds a doctorate in socio-cultural anthropology from Indiana University. He received his master’s degree in ethnology, history and philosophy from the University of Basel, Switzerland. More recently, his research has centered on contemporary tribal bison ranching and human-animal relations on the Great Plains. He joined Indian studies in 2004. His academic interests include economics and ecology, globalization, intercultural relations, trade and warfare, and cosmology. Along with other courses reflecting his research interests, he teaches the Lakota language course at UND.

Tuesday, April 5, 7 to 9 p.m., Grand Forks Herald Community Room, 375 Second Ave. N. (use alley entrance). The forum topic is “From Dream to Nightmare: American Indian Boarding Schools 1880-1920,” with discussion leader Wilbert H. Ahern, Morse-alumni distinguished teaching professor of history, University of Minnesota-Morris.

In the late 19th century, U.S. policy makers advocated educating Indian children so that they would fit within U.S. society. Among western tribes suddenly enveloped by U.S. power, an interest in learning about the U.S. and “the white man’s road” grew. This common dream of education turned into a nightmare for native communities. The boarding school developed into an instrument of coercion and control rather than one of enlightenment and emancipation with grim repercussions for native communities and the broader society. An exploration of the creation of the federal system of Indian education, 1880-1920, reveals that forces behind this unfortunate result as well as some paths not taken.

In 1998, Ahern was named the Program Consultant for Tribal College Programs for the Bush Foundation. Since 2001, he has served as the director of the Faculty Center for Learning and Teaching at the University of Minnesota, Morris. Dr. Ahern earned his B.A. at Oberlin College (Ohio) in 1963. He earned his master’s and doctoral degrees at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill.

Thursday, April 7, 7 to 9 p.m., Chester Fritz Auditorium. The forum topic is “A Celebration of Life: Understanding the Powwow Experience,” with discussion leader Leander Russell McDonald, assistant professor, National Resource Center on Native American Aging, Center of Rural Health, School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

American Indian dancers and singers from the surrounding area will share their culture through dance and song. Dr. McDonald will assist by providing insight into these annual community celebrations of life by explaining the interaction between the master of ceremonies, arena director, veterans, dancers, singers, honorings and the community. An informational presentation opens the forum and a question and answer session will follow the powwow demonstration.

McDonald is also the associate director of research for the National Resource Center on Native American Aging and has assisted 89 sites representing 171 tribes in conducting needs assessments. His father is Dakota from the Spirit Lake Nation and his mother is Arikara from the Fort Berthold Reservation. He has been conducting research among Native populations for the past seven years, with the last five years focused on the American Indian and Alaskan Native elderly.

Sponsors are the office of the president, office of vice president for academic affairs, office of the vice president for student and outreach services, office of University relations, College of Education and Human Development in cooperation with the American Indian Programs Council, American Indian Student Services, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Indian studies, continuing education, Grand Forks Herald, and the University of North Dakota Indian Association (UNDIA).

For more information and updates about the AIE series of events, contact continuing education at www.conted.und.edu/aie, 777-2663, 1-866-579-2663, or e-mail conferences@mail.und.nodak.edu.

— *Continuing education*

U2 lists workshops

Below are U2 workshops for Feb. 7-10. Visit our web site for additional workshops in January and February. Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by phone, 777-2128; e-mail, U2@mail.und.nodak.edu; or online, www.conted.und.edu/U2/. Please include workshop title and date, name, department, position, box number, phone number, e-mail address, and how you first learned of the workshop. Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.

Power Point XP, Intermediate: Feb. 7, 9, and 11, 9 a.m. to noon, 361 Upson II (nine hours total). Prerequisite: Power Point Beginning. Create custom design templates, create presentation special effects, interface PowerPoint with

Excel and Word, publish to the web, review and broadcast presentations. Presenter: Maria Saucedo.

Generational Diversity - Truth or Hype? Feb. 8, 9 to 11 a.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. Fee: \$20. Baby Boomers, Generation X, Millennials... We hear much about the different generations that are present in today's workplace ... is it really an issue? This session provides an overview of generational diversity, discusses the characteristics of the different generations, and talks about some of the conflicts, challenges and opportunities that can result when different age groups collide in today's workplace. Understanding more about generational diversity will better prepare us as leaders, managers and supervisors, as we strive to build organizational cultures that result in high morale, high productivity and high retention. Presenter: Tony Trimarco, director, Memorial Union.

Transforming Relationships By Listening: Feb. 8, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., 211 Skalicky Tech Incubator. Fee: \$20 (includes materials and refreshments). The most basic and powerful way to connect to another person is to listen. Perhaps the important thing we give to each other is our attention. When people are talking, there's no need to do anything but receive them. Just take them in, listen to what they're saying, care about it. Most times caring about it is even more important than understanding it. This workshop will help you to slow long enough to consider the importance of this age-old art and will give you a chance to practice new ways of listening and experience the impact of listening. Presenter: Kristine Paranica.

Records Disposal Procedures: Feb. 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m., 211 Skalicky Tech Incubator. During this workshop you will learn more about the process for destroying or transferring records that have passed their retention time limits. We'll review the forms used, discuss why it's necessary to document, and you will take part in a hands-on run-through of the entire process. It's fun to clean out, it's easier to do than you think, and now's the time to do it! Presenter: Chris Austin, records manager.

Defensive Driving: Feb. 10, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. This workshop is required by state fleet for all UND employees who drive state vehicles on a regular (monthly) basis, received a traffic violation, or had an accident while operating a state vehicle. Employees are encouraged to bring a family member. This workshop may also reduce your North Dakota insurance premiums and could possibly remove points from your driving record. Presenter: Jason Uhlir.

Hiring International Employees, How to Acquire H-1B and J-1 Visas: Feb. 10, 10 to 11:30 a.m., International Centre, 2908 University Ave. In this workshop, officials responsible for hiring and supervising international faculty, researchers, medical residents, and professional staff will become familiar with U.S. non-immigration requirements concerning employment at UND. The workshop will discuss H-1B employment and J-1 exchange visitor visas, the required steps to obtain such visas from the U.S. government, and available UND Office of International Programs assistance. Presenter: Will Young, associate director of international programs.

The Basics of IRB Review: Feb. 10, 1 to 4 p.m., Badlands Room, Memorial Union. All researchers planning to conduct human subject research are required to complete training. The workshop covers research ethics, federal regulations, and UND policies regarding human subject research. It will also review the institutional review board (IRB) forms and procedures. The workshop will include two case studies, a quiz, with time for questions. Presenter: Renee Carlson.

— Julie Sturges, U2 program

Graduate school sponsors scholarly forum

The graduate school is sponsoring its campus-wide scholarly forum, which will be held **Tuesday through Thursday, Feb. 22-24**. This year's event will feature open communications and research presentations by microbiology and immunology department. The keynote speaker, hosted by microbiology and immunology, is Stanley Maloy, professor at San Diego State University (<http://www.bio.sdsu.edu/faculty/maloy.html>).

The theatre arts department will present *Metamorphoses*, a play by Mary Zimmerman during this event.

Presentations, exhibits and/or performances from the campus community are encouraged. For submission forms and guidelines go to www.graduateschool.und.edu and look under "In the Spotlight."

Please contact the graduate school at 777-2786 if you have any questions regarding the forum.

— Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRO launches no-charge portal service for veterans

The UND Government Rural Outreach (GRO) initiative has launched a no-charge Internet portal service to help North Dakota veterans. Through a special web site, veterans across the state can now use the Internet to access employment and business resources, health and benefits information, housing information, and much more.

"Many North Dakota County Veteran Service Officers have been using a similar web site since April 2004," said GRO director Glenn Miller, "but now veterans and their families will have free, direct access to the same information."

According to Miller, web portals like the "veteran community of interest" portal are useful because they pull together information and resources that are of interest to a specific group. "If this portal is successful, it will lead to the creation of additional community of interest web portals," said Miller.

Housed in the College of Business and Public Administration and funded through the federal Government Services Administration, GRO is designed to address the needs of citizens located in rural America, bringing together technologies to allow rural citizens such as seniors, veterans, farmers and American Indians on remote reservations to perform secure and legally protected Internet transactions with local, state and federal government agencies.

To register for access to the new portal website, veterans or their families should go to <http://veterans.ndgro.com>.

— Glenn Miller, director, GRO

Pineo named marketing and sales director for Aerospace Foundation

Charles (Chuck) Pineo has been named the marketing and sales director for the UND Aerospace Foundation (UNDAF), a non-profit corporation that serves as a link between industry and the John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences.

In his new position, Pineo will provide strategic market plans for UND, focus on identifying and growing new business with U.S. and international customers, conduct market research, analyze market data, and identify patterns and industry trends for future business development.

Pineo was a regional manager of corporate and agency sales with Northwest Airlines where he coached Northwest Airline sales managers in the Midwest region in corporate contracting and developed sales, sponsorship and public relations strategies to maximize revenues in its territory. Pineo graduated from UND with a B.S. in physical education and a Master of Business Administration in 1998.

— Odegard School

Join a faculty study seminar for spring

Faculty study seminars (FSS) offer an opportunity for faculty to meet with a small group of colleagues sharing an interest in teaching and learning. Each group is organized around a recent book, provided for participants by instructional development. Groups typically meet four times during a semester, first for a planning session, and then to discuss readings at a pace and on a schedule determined by group members. Study seminars for spring 2005 are:

The Family Track: Keeping Your Faculties While You Mentor, Nurture, Teach, and Serve, edited by Constance Coiner and Diana Hume George

, Coiner and George claim their premise is that loose mothering over professional achievement has been replaced into emphasizing professional achievement at the expense of involvement in the lives of their children." In a collection of essays that breaks the "polite code of silence" often maintained especially by "junior faculty who fear jeopardizing tenure," Coiner and George seek both to document the experiences of faculty caught in the crush of competing responsibilities and to offer "practical, implementable suggestions" for policy refinements. This book will appeal first to readers who themselves have experienced or are experiencing the role conflicts that occur when family responsibilities like childcare or eldercare come into conflict with professional expectations. But these authors aim to speak to a broader audience as well, including especially both grad students (and those concerned about them) and administrators.

Learning and Motivation in the Postsecondary Classroom by Marilla D. Svinicki

Svinicki is both a faculty member specializing in educational psychology and the director of the Center for Teaching Effectiveness at University of Texas-Austin. Her scholarly interests lie in bridging the gap between (often all but unreadable) research studies on learning and the work that actually happens in college classrooms. And that is precisely the purpose of this book, which Svinicki describes as designed to “bring the findings and theories of educational psychology to the rest of the higher education community.” Svinicki believes that research-based teaching should appeal to faculty as scholars and as educators. But she also argues that there’s an appeal to our pragmatic side: “understanding the structure of learning results in better outcomes with less effort for both students and teachers.” In a book that’s a readable balance of examples and scholarship, she presents what’s known about increasing students’ motivation to learn and improving the quality and durability of the learning itself.

To sign up for one of these faculty study seminars, contact Joan Hawthorne at joan_hawthorne@und.nodak.edu or 777-6381. Mention the book you’d like to read, and include a copy of your spring semester schedule. Your group will begin meeting in late January or early February.

– Joan Hawthorne, University writing program

Graduate faculty nominations sought

The graduate school has issued their semi-annual call for nominations for membership on the graduate faculty. A memorandum detailing the process, and including a copy of the nomination form, has been sent to the chairperson and director of each department/program offering a graduate degree. The deadline for nominations to be received in the graduate school is **Monday, Jan. 24**. Final action on the nominations should be completed by March 10.

– Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school

Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday hours listed

Jan. 17 is holiday

In accordance with State Board of Higher Education directives, Monday, Jan. 17, will be observed as Martin Luther King Jr. Day by faculty and staff members of the University. Only those employees designated by their department heads will be required to work on this holiday. – Martha Potvin, interim vice president for academic affairs and provost, and Diane Nelson, director, human resources.

Health sciences library:

Martin Luther King Jr. holiday hours for the health sciences library are: Friday, Jan. 14, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 15, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Jan. 16, 1 to 5 p.m.; Monday, Jan. 17, 1 p.m. to midnight.

– April Byars, Library of the Health Sciences

Law library:

The law library will be open from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Jan. 17. – Jane Oakland, Thormodsgard Law Library.

Information Technology Systems and Services:

ITSS will close for the Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday at midnight Sunday, Jan. 16, and will reopen at 5 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18.

– Craig Cerkowniak, associate director, ITSS

Memorial Union:

Memorial Union operating hours for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday weekend, Jan. 14-18, follow.

Administrative office: Friday, Jan. 14, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Barber shop: Friday, Jan. 14, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Computer labs: Friday, Jan. 14, 7:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 15-16, 11:45 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.; Monday, Jan. 17, 11:45 a.m. to 1:45 a.m.

Craft center: Friday, Jan. 14, noon to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Credit union: Friday, Jan. 14, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Dining center: Friday, Jan. 14, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Food court: Friday, Jan. 14, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 15, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Jan. 16, noon to 5 p.m.; Monday, Jan. 17, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Great Clips: to be determined.

Internet Café and pub area: Friday, Jan. 14, 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 15-16, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Monday, Jan. 17, 11 a.m. to midnight.

Lifetime sports: Friday, Jan. 14, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 15-16, noon to 5 p.m.; Monday, Jan. 17, noon to 11 p.m.

Parking office: Friday, Jan. 14, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Post office: Friday, Jan. 14, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Stomping Grounds: Friday, Jan. 14, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Student academic services: Friday, Jan. 14, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

U card office: Friday, Jan. 14, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

U Snack C-Store: Friday, Jan. 14, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Union services: Friday, Jan. 14, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 15-16, noon to 5 p.m.; Monday, Jan. 17, noon to 9 p.m.

University learning center: Friday, Jan. 14, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 15-17, closed.

Building hours: Friday, Jan. 14, 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 15-16, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Monday, Jan. 17, 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.*

**Normal operating hours resume Tuesday, Jan. 18. Late night access lower level resumes Tuesday, Jan. 18. – Marsha Nelson, Memorial Union.*

Applications sought for summer leadership program

Applications are now being screened for the Summer Professional Leadership Program. Every summer, the president supports two individuals to attend national professional leadership institutes. This program is for individuals already in administrative roles who wish to expand the breadth of their experience in anticipation of moving to another level of responsibility. To apply for consideration, please send an application letter and expression of interest explaining your administrative background, your program choice, and why you wish to attend (two pages maximum). Send your letter and CV to victoriabeard@mail.und.nodak.edu or Box 8176. Application deadline is Friday, Jan. 21. The two selected individuals will be notified as soon as possible to allow time for them to complete the appropriate comprehensive program application. Program choices are described below.

Leading Transformation and Change [MLE],

June 18-30

<http://www.gse.harvard.edu/ppe/highered/index.html>

Designed for skilled, experienced administrators—deans and directors, provosts and vice presidents—who will help their institutions adapt to a changing future. Increase your capacity to lead and manage change, develop effective strategy, and evaluate the impact of new initiatives.

Management Development Program, [MDP],

June 19 to July 1

<http://www.gse.harvard.edu/ppe/highered/index.html>

Designed for deans, directors, and other administrators who are good at leading their units—and who want to get even better. Gain useful ideas about the critical management issues you're facing, including budgeting, human resource management, planning, and effective leadership.

Institute for Educational Management [IEM],

July 24 to Aug. 5

<http://www.gse.harvard.edu/ppe/highered/index.html>

Designed for the most senior-level administrators. Examine critical leadership issues at colleges and universities. Learn

effective approaches to balancing internal and external leadership roles, leading in a changing context, articulating a powerful vision for your institution, and enlisting others in that vision.

Bryn Mawr Summer Institute,

June 26 to July 22

<http://www.brynmawr.edu/summerinstitute/>

Offers women administrators and faculty intensive training in education administration. The curriculum prepares participants to work with issues currently facing higher education, with emphasis on the growing diversity of the student body and the work force.

AASCU Millennium Leadership Institute,

June 25 to July 28

http://www.aascu.org/mli/default_05.htm

Strengthens the preparation and eligibility of persons who are traditionally underrepresented in higher education leadership, for the position of college or university president or chancellor.

— *Victoria Beard, associate provost*

Spoken English instructor sought to teach in Shanghai

Our sister university in Shanghai, China, has an opening for a UND graduate student, recent grad, or faculty member to teach spoken English to Chinese students in our affiliated business management program in Shanghai. Course load is 12 conversation classes per week, plus two composition classes with 10 students each, February through June. Compensation package includes roundtrip air to China, on-campus private accommodations (very nice) and a monthly stipend. This is a terrific opportunity! Formal ESL experience preferred but not required. Accompanying spouses a possibility, but not children, Feb. 21 start date. Shanghai is one of the most exciting cities in the world (<http://shanghai.asiaxpat.com/>). For more information contact me as soon as possible.

— *Victoria Beard, associate provost, 777-4824, victoriabeard@mail.und.nodak.edu*

Note change in absence notification for students

Students are responsible for contacting each of their faculty members regarding their absence from class. Therefore, **do not** require students to notify the dean of students office. Lines of communication between student and faculty are enhanced with contact between the parties involved. If a faculty member requires justification, it is their prerogative to request that from the student. In an emergency situation where the student is incapacitated, the dean of student's office will provide assistance.

— *Jerry Bulisco, associate dean of student life and director of judicial affairs and crisis programs*

Copy from UND academic catalog going to faculty, staff for biennial updating

Academic departments are reminded that they will soon receive copy from the current UND academic catalog (undergraduate and graduate) for biennial updating. The new version of the catalog is scheduled for completion in June. The graduate sections are being sent to the graduate school; the undergraduate and other sections are being sent by the registrar's office. The deadline for returning this copy is **Friday, Feb. 11**. The index of the catalog is also being sent to deans and department chairs for their input.

— *Nancy Krogh, University registrar*

Business office moves to Union Jan. 20, 21 for fee payment

The business office will be working with students attending the Spring 2005 semester Jan. 10-21. The primary responsibility of the tellers will be fee payment assistance to the students. Due to increased student traffic during this time period, you can expect lines at the teller windows. During fee payment (**Thursday and Friday, Jan. 20 and 21**), the business office will move to the Memorial Union. All students should be directed to the Memorial Union ballroom. Departmental deposits will be accepted at a teller window, second floor, Twamley Hall, only from 2 to 3 p.m. Although no receipt will be issued, the deposits must be logged in by a representative from your department. The deposits will be processed as time allows. If departments anticipate special needs during these two days, contact Sandi Brelie at 777-3080 by noon Friday, Jan. 14. Due to the high amount of telephone traffic during the weeks surrounding fee payment,

contacting the business office staff may be easiest through e-mail. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

– Wanda Sporbett, bursar, business office

Division of Research reorganized; note department name changes

As part of the reorganization of the Division of Research the following department name changes are now in effect:

From: Office of Research and Program Development

To: Research Development and Compliance

From: Technology Transfer Office

To: Technology Transfer and Commercialization

From: Office of Grants and Contracts Administration

To: Grants and Contracts Administration

From EPSCoR

To: ND EPSCoR

— Peter Alfonso, vice president for research

State Board actions detailed

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– Jerry Bulisco, associate dean of student life and director of judicial affairs and crisis programs

Disregard credit card offers

Departments should disregard/destroy any credit card offers from vendors (example: MilesOne Business Platinum Visa, Lowes Home Improvement Stores). Department personnel are not authorized to enter into any credit card agreements that are not administered by UND.

UND only supports the Visa purchasing card and the UND travel card.

– Allison Peyton, accounting services, and Jerry Clancy, purchasing

Wellness ambassadors sought

We are seeking representatives from each department or area on campus to serve as wellness ambassadors. They would be responsible for helping us communicate information about wellness activities and events, then collecting and submitting wellness activity tracking sheets. The initial term would be for the spring semester. In return, volunteers receive a free six-month membership to the wellness center. If you are interested in helping to spread the word about wellness on our campus, please call Michelle Conley at 777-0729 or e-mail her at michelle.conley@mail.und.nodak.edu. Please respond by **Jan. 21**.

– Wellness center

Pre-school children's music classes offered

The UND community music program is offering Musiktanz classes for children ages 15 months through kindergarten. Musiktanz is a curriculum developed by Dr. Lorna Lutz Heyge, an internationally recognized author and early childhood music educator. She is the founder of Kindermusik and author of the early childhood curriculum, "Cycle of Seasons." In the Musiktanz program the teacher acts as a role model to assist the parents/care givers in working musically with their children. The parents/care givers attend the children's lessons and participate with them in classes which are comprised of a variety of developmentally appropriate musical activities involving singing, moving, playing, creating, and listening. Emphasis in these classes is on having fun while building musical skills and developing a love of music. Moreover, research has shown that participation in such programs may improve skills tied to academic success.

Level I (ages 15 months to 3 years) meets at 6 p.m. Monday nights.

Level II (ages 3 years to kindergarten) meets at 6:30 p.m. Monday nights.

Both classes meet for a half hour 10 times during the semester in 258 Hughes Fine Arts Center, starting **Jan. 24**. They are taught by an experienced music teacher. Cost for each level is \$60 per semester. For more information call 777-2830, and ask for Karen.

– *Barbara Lewis, music*

Coupon books available for visitor lot parking

The parking and traffic office has received a new supply of coupon books for parking in the visitor lot next to Upson Hall. Anyone or any department may purchase them for their own use, for friends, or guests. They are valid only for parking in the visitor lot.

They are sold in books of 10 coupons for \$30. Each coupon enables someone to park for a total fee of \$3 per day or per time in the visitor lot. They were a great success last year. They may be purchased at the parking and traffic office in the Memorial Union or from the visitor lot booth. If you have any questions call our office at 777-3551.

– *Sherry Kapella, parking and traffic office*

University community forms tsunami relief fund

Students, faculty and staff members have set up a relief group, called the UND Tsunami Relief Effort, to collect donations which will directly help build educational and health infrastructure in the worst-hit areas impacted by the deadly tsunami that hit Southeast Asia.

For more information regarding the tsunami relief effort, check out www.und.edu/org/relieffund/.

Marketplace Food Court offers new hours, value menu

The Old Main Marketplace Food Court in the Memorial Union will be open Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 9 p.m.

New specials are: Mondays, a whole Sbarro cheese pizza for \$4.99; Tuesdays, A&W coney dogs (chili dogs) for \$0.99; Wednesdays, Dakota Deli round sandwiches for \$0.99; Thursdays, Sbarro spaghetti and sauce for \$2.29; and Fridays, all-you-can-eat noodle bowl for \$5 in the World Market.

Plus, check out the all-new value menu items now available every day of the week. At A&W Express, the classic hot dog and the junior hamburger are only \$0.99 each. Enjoy Italian specialties at Sbarro Pizzeria, with a half-slice of cheese pizza for only \$1.29. The new campus favorite, fresh-made Asian stir-fry can be found at the World Market. Savor stir-fry veggies with rice or lo mein for only \$1.99.

Start the new semester with lunch values at the Old Main Marketplace Food Court on the first floor of the Memorial Union.

– *Dining services*

University community invited to donate health kits for tsunami relief

In response to the natural disaster caused by the tsunami in the Indian Ocean, 13 area churches and some graduate classes are collecting health kit items to be used for victims. Church World Service (CROP walk) distributes these kits, and has already sent more than 35,000 of them to tsunami victims. The warehouse is empty.

If you'd like to put together health kits or donate money for shipping, you may drop off kits and money at any of the churches listed below. Make checks out to Church World Service.

Health kits, enclosed in a gallon-size ziplock bag, contain:

- 1 hand towel
- 1 wash cloth

- 1 comb
- 1 metal nail file or nail clipper
- 1 bar of soap
- 1 toothbrush
- 1 tube of toothpaste (4-7 oz)
- 6 band aids

Mendenhall Presbyterian Church members will pick up health kits from churches on Jan. 16. Packages will be shipped Monday morning. Shipping has been donated by the UPS Store, but we are seeking an additional dollar per bag to pay for shipping overseas. If you have questions please call Mendenhall Presbyterian at 773-2469.

Participating congregations:

East Grand Forks:

- Bethany Lutheran, 10321 State Hwy 220 NW;
- Family of God Lutheran, 327 5th Ave. NE;
- Mendenhall Presbyterian, 528 10th St. NW;
- Our Savior's Lutheran, 1515 5th Ave. NW.

Grand Forks:

- Calvary Lutheran, 1405 9th St. S.;
- First Presbyterian, 5555 S. Washington St.;
- Grace Baptist, 700 24th Ave. S.;
- Holy Family Catholic, 1001 17th Ave. S.;
- St. Mark's Lutheran, 715 24th Ave. S.;
- St. Paul's Episcopal, 319 5th Ave. S.;
- Sharon Lutheran, 1720 S. 20th St.;
- United Lutheran, 324 Chestnut St.;
- Wesley United Methodist, 1600 4th Ave. N.;
- Zion United Methodist, 1001 24th Ave. S.

— Gail Colwell, Conflict Resolution Center

Music presents concert

UND music presents a showcase concert featuring the 12:00 Jazz Ensemble, Varsity Bards, Chamber Orchestra, Women's Chorus, Wind Ensemble, Concert Choir, and Steel Band, Friday, Jan. 21, at 8 p.m., Chester Fritz Auditorium.

Admission is free. Music begins in the lobby at 7:30 p.m.

A free will offering will be collected for those affected by the earthquake and tsunami in Asia.

- Music

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IN REMEMBRANCE

Remembering Beatrice Ring

Beatrice Ring, retired computer operator, computer center, died Dec. 31 in Detroit Lakes. She was 78.

Beatrice Thornton was born Oct. 31, 1926 at St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada, to Clinton and Gladys (Grover) Thornton. She grew up in northeastern Maine, then moved to Portland, Maine, where she attended school and later graduated from Deering High School in Portland. She attended the University of Maine at Orono where she received her bachelor's degree in engineering/physics. She worked at Keesler Air Force Base in Mississippi where she taught radar operations to military personnel, and worked for the Westinghouse Company in Baltimore, Md. as a technical writer. On Jan. 24, 1957, she married Benjamin A. Ring at Baltimore. In 1962 they moved to Grand Forks, and in 1967 she began working as a computer programmer and later a computer operator for the University. Benjamin served as professor of philosophy and religion. She retired in 1991. Benjamin died in 1992. She moved to LaCrosse, Wis., and in 1998 she

moved to Detroit Lakes.

She was a member of American Association of University Women, and was past president of the League of Women Voters. She enjoyed her family, her computer, and her cats.

She is survived by two daughters, Abigail Ring and her husband Dennis Lange of Audubon, Minn., Jennifer Ring of Fargo; two brothers, C. Andrew Thornton of Gorham, Maine, Luther Thornton and his wife Joline of Baileyville, Maine; and two grandchildren, Kaitlin and Devin Lange.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

In lieu of flowers please contribute to your local library, humane society, or relief for the tsunami victims.

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GRANTS AND RESEARCH

Research subjects have rights

Bill of Rights for research subjects

As a research subject you have the right . . .

1. to be fully informed about the research before you are asked to decide whether or not to participate.
2. to be told about all the risks or discomforts that may occur if you decide to participate.
3. to be told of any benefit from participating in the research.
4. to be free of pressure when considering whether or not to participate in the research.
5. to decide not to participate in the research or to change your mind about participation after the research as started. This decision will not affect your relationship with the institution.
6. to privacy and confidentiality. The investigator will safeguard the confidentiality of research data to prevent the disclosure of your identity to non-authorized persons.
7. to ask questions about the research before, during and after participation in the research.
8. to maintain all your rights and privileges as a citizen. No waiving of any legal right is implied or intended by your participation in research.
9. to receive a copy of the signed and dated consent form.

If you have questions, please ask the investigator. In addition, you may contact the Institutional Review Board, which is concerned with protections of research subjects, at 777-4279.

– Research development and compliance

Applications sought for faculty research proposal writing fellowships

Applications are invited from faculty for research fellowships of \$1,000 each to facilitate writing proposals for external funding of their research and scholarly activities. Offered through research development and compliance (RD&C) and the University writing program, a limited number of faculty in teams of two (faculty proposal writer and mentor) will engage in a 10-session (one hour each) writing workshop beginning Thursday, Feb. 10, at 4 p.m. and continuing on Thursdays at 4 p.m. through April 28. The goal of the workshop will be for each faculty writer to complete a research proposal, with the assistance of a mentor, that will be suitable for submission to an external sponsor.

To apply:

Submit an application as a faculty team (writer and mentor) to RD&C of no more than two pages describing your research/scholarly activity idea.

Identify the organization you will target for funding.

Discuss the significance of your research/scholarly activity and its potential impact on your career, department, college/school, and UND.

Indicate your availability and commitment to attend at least nine of the 10 workshop sessions.

Be sure to include the name and the expected contribution of the faculty member who has agreed to serve as your mentor for this fellowship. (Mentors must agree to attend at least five sessions and be available to assist you in writing and developing your proposal outside the workshop. Mentors also will receive \$1,000 stipends.) If you need help locating a mentor, contact Barry Milavetz at RD&C, 777-4280 or barrymilavetz@mail.und.nodak.edu.

Selection criteria:

Potential for completing a draft proposal by May 16, 2005.

Significance and impact of proposed research/scholarly activity.

Potential for funding by proposed sponsor.

Evidence of commitment by writer and mentor.

Participant must be the P.I. on the external proposal.

The deadline is **Tuesday, Jan. 25**. Submit application to RD&C, 105 Twamley Hall or e-mail barrymilavetz@mail.und.nodak.edu.

— *Research development and compliance*

NIH regional seminars offered in program funding and grants administration

Two regional seminars covering topics related to NIH extramural program funding and grants administration have been planned for 2005. The two-day seminars provide information about the NIH funding process, from opportunity identification and application preparation through post award administration. Presentations are targeted toward research administrators, researchers new to NIH, post docs and trainees. Opportunities for informal interactions between seminar participants and NIH grants management, program, policy, and review staff are incorporated into the program and such interactions are highly encouraged. NIH electronic research administration labs are offered on the Wednesday preceding the seminar. The 2005 seminars will be held on:

April 7-8, hosted by the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. NIH electronic research administration labs will be offered on April 6.

June 23-24, hosted by Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind. NIH electronic research administration labs will be offered on June 22.

More information is available from the NIH office of extramural research regional seminar web site at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/seminars.htm>.

Questions regarding registration or logistics should be directed to the host universities noted below. Questions on the program content may be directed to Megan Columbus, NIH regional seminar coordinator, at tel. 301-435-0937 or megan.columbus@nih.gov. The complete notice can be found at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-05-019.html>.

Faculty and research staff interested in attending the NIH regional seminar should contact me.

— *Barry Milavetz, interim director, research development and compliance at 777-4280,*
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Graduate school sponsors scholarly forum

The second National Science Foundation regional grants conference of fiscal year 2005 will be held in Oakland, Calif., April 4–5. The conference is co-sponsored by Mathematics, Engineering Science Achievement (MESA) and the University of California Office of the President. Optional FastLane workshops are available on April 3. Key representatives from the National Science Foundation as well as your colleagues – faculty, researchers and grant administrators – representing regional colleges and universities will participate.

This two-day conference is a must, especially for new faculty, researchers and administrators who want to gain key insight into a wide range of current issues at NSF including the state of current funding, new and current policies and procedures, and pertinent administrative issues. NSF program officers representing each NSF directorate will be on hand to provide up-to-date information about specific funding opportunities and answer your questions.

Highlights include:

New programs and initiatives;

Future directions and strategies for national science policy;

Proposal preparation;

NSF's merit review process;

Cross-cutting and special interest programs;

Grant policy, compliance and accountability;

Conflict of interest policies;

Breakout sessions by discipline; and

FastLane workshops

For additional information regarding program content, contact the NSF Policy Office, Division of Institution & Award Support, at (703) 292-8243, or via e-mail at policy@nsf.gov. For logistical information (including conference registration, lodging, etc.) visit the web site of MESA, University of California Office of the President. The complete announcement can be found at: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubsys/ods/getpub.cfm?regionapril05>. Faculty and research staff interested in attending the NIH regional seminar should contact me.

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